Framework Convention on Tobacco Control

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Improving Public Health through an International Framework Convention on Tobacco Control

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- There are a number of potential opportunities to make tobacco products less dangerous than they now are. For example an international committee of experts under the supervision of the World Health Organization could:

- Determine which additives contribute to toxicity and addictiveness;

- set a ceiling for yields of toxic ingredients such as tobacco specific nitrosamines and specify progressive reductions;

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- In a letter to the *Lancet* Gray, Boyle and Zatonski suggested that existing cigarette brands could be tested for a selection of known carcinogenic substances e.g., 4-(methyl nitrosamine) - 1 - 3 - pyridyl) - 1 - butanone) (NNK). For substances whose content varies substantially from brand to brand, the median concentrations could be established as a target upper limit and manufacturer given time to adapt to it. Brands unable to conform to the target level should be excluded from the country's market. [56]

56. Lancet, 1998, 325:787-788

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